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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 20, 2007, finally rejecting claims 13-16, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows: